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# Water rate lawsuit against city dismissed

A class action lawsuit against the City of Westland has been dismissed by the Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Craig Strong.

The class action suit was filed against the city in 2015 alleging that approximately 27,000 current water customers were being charged excessively and that the city was in violation of the Headlee Amendment of the Michigan Constitution.

The suit alleged that excessive charges by the city were being used to fund general operations and that the charges actually created a tax increase in violation of the Headlee Amendment. The lawsuit requested a refund for the approximately 27,000 current water customers in the city and requested that Westland be prohibited by the court from any future overcharges.

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The original suit was filed by two condominium associations, Deerhurst and Woodview, but the suit was later amended and certified as a class action lawsuit including all Westland water customers.

In defense of the city charges, Westland attorneys filed motions to dismiss the lawsuit arguing the rates charged by Westland are reasonable and appropriate. The judge agreed with those arguments and determined that the Westland water and sewerage rates are reasonable user fees and are not taxes, as the suit alleged, and do not violate the Headlee Amendment. He dismissed the legal action last week.

The judge's opinion further held that water and sewer rate funds are not being improperly transferred to the General Fund to support services to the public at large in Westland, the basis of the legal argument of the plaintiffs in the case.

Westland defense attorneys argued, "For nearly two decades, rates have covered the costs, updates and other improvements to the Westland water system. The process, which has evolved over time, is an acceptable process that allows the city to prepare for a disaster while properly maintaining the water system."

"The City of Westland has, from the beginning, held the position that this lawsuit was frivolous," commented Mayor William Wild. "This decision by Judge Strong proves that the city was right to oppose this lawsuit.

"We are happy with the outcome and will continue to provide Westland residents with services we hold to the highest of standards."

Similar lawsuits were filed against multiple area municipalities including Dearborn, Ferndale, Royal Oak, Birmingham, Bloomfield Township and Taylor. The suit against Taylor was also dismissed by the court last month.

# Show time

## Art In The Park begins tomorrow

When the 38th annual Art In the Park festival officially opens at 10 a.m. tomorrow, there will be more than 400 artists filling the streets of downtown Plymouth, along with face painters, live children's theater, face and body painting, caricaturists and musicians and entertainers.

"We've kept the traditional things that the crowds seem to really enjoy," noted Art In The Park President Raychel Rork, "but we always try to add some new and different things to entertain and keep the event fresh."

Rork added that the best advice she can offer anyone visiting the event is, "Use the shuttle."

This year, the air conditioned buses will travel to and from the Burroughs building parking lot on Plymouth Road to Plymouth City Hall, right in the center of the Art In The Park activities.

"These buses are roomy, they have lavatories, they are air conditioned and they have enough room to accommodate strollers, wheelchairs and even the largest art purchases," Rork said. "This is the best way to see the show and really enjoy it," Rork said.

Raychel Rork

"There really is something for everyone," Rork said. "No matter what your taste or what your budget. We have great items from $1 to thousands of dollars. All of it is great," she said.

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# Scholars earn while they learn

It wasn't the usual teen party last week when 160 high school students celebrated at the Hellenic Center in Westland.

The students, and their family members, celebrated their success as members of the Scholars of John Glenn program. After dinner and some congratulatory remarks, each of them received a check for $200, fulfilling a contract made with the program, their parents and a mentor of their choice.

John Glenn High School psychologist Louis Przybylski welcomed the crowd and explained that this year more than 560 students signed contracts and joined the program.

"That is 25 percent of the student body," he told the crowd,

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"which demonstrates a strong commitment to work on their grades."

The program, started two years ago by Glenn and Patty Shaw, guarantees the student a $200 check, no strings attached, if they sign a contract agreeing to choose a mentor, involve their parents and improve their grade point average by at least one-half a point. This year, 146 students achieved their goal, and were in attendance to receive their checks, a handshake and a hug of congratulations from the Shaws.

Przybylski noted that the purpose of the program was to teach the students to give all they can give toward their studies.

"I believe that ease is a greater threat to progress than hardship," he noted, discussing the difficulty the students faced in the rigors of their studies. He also stressed the importance of the volunteer mentors in the pro-

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# Judge rules for retirees

Wayne County Circuit Court Judge John A. Murphy has granted retirees from the City of Wayne a restraining order and a preliminary injunction prohibiting the city from cutting their health insurance premiums.

City officials first cut the retirees health care benefits last year, reducing the amount the city paid for monthly health care premiums. Union contracts with the retirees included provisions that promised the city would pay 100 percent of the health insurance costs for retirees with 25 years seniority when they retired. The city was obligated by contract to pay 75 percent of the premiums if the retiree had 20 years seniority and 50 percent of the premium if the retiree had 15 years seniority.

Wayne currently faces a $1.2 million budget deficit and officials have attempted to make budget cuts, targeting the health care premiums. City officials first reduced the amount of the city portion of insurance premium payments to 60 percent in an effort to cut city costs. Another proposal, set to go into effect July 1, one day prior to the judge's decision, would have given each retiree a stipend to purchase insurance on their own in the open market.

Retirees have attended numerous city council meetings protesting the cuts to what they perceive were guaranteed benefits. City employees do not receive Social Security but rather a city pension and health premiums.

Retiree Association President Tim Reynolds said he felt the judge was fair in listening to both sides of the issue. "The judge did say that he would not have issued the injunction or the restraining order if he did not feel we would succeed on the merits of our case," Reynolds said.

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Canton - Inkster

# Concert series under way

Continuing a tradition than spans more than two decades, Canton Township residents can enjoy Thursday Night Concerts.

The concert series began last week in the Heritage Park amphitheater, sponsored by Canton Community Financial. The performances, featuring a wide variety of music genres, take place from 7:30-9 p.m. in the park, located adjacent to the Canton Administration Building at 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

Audience members are encouraged to bring blankets or folding chairs for optimal enjoyment on the amphitheater lawn. The music is family friendly, ranging from rock to rhythm and blues. Participants are also encouraged to take part in weekly theme nights, raffles, and children's activities. In addition, summertime food items will be available for purchase on site from Crusin' Custom Coneys and Good Humor Ice Cream. Canton Leisure Services will be collecting donation items for Operation Care Package, a Michigan nonprofit group that distributes items to U.S. Troops, during concerts in July.

**All concerts are free.**

**2017 Thursday Night Concert Series**

**Summer Schedule:**

**July 6:** Magic Bus - Music from the late '60s that will take audiences on a psychedelic musical journey to Woodstock and back.

**July 13:** Crossroads - A family band playing contemporary hits, Motown, Jazz, Funk, and more.

**July 20:** Saints of Soul - Featuring a repertoire of vintage Soul Music with infectious grooves and explosive power.

**July 27:** Together Band - Enjoy high-energy hits in a wide range of Classic Rock, Funk, and "Feel Good" Music.

**Aug. 3:** Timbre of Cedar - A playlist of the greatest '90s covers that showcase the talents of these band members.

**Aug. 10:** First Call - Enjoy electrifying Pop hits from yesterday and today.

All concerts are weather dependent. To receive text weather updates, join our free RainedOut service by texting "cantonconcerts" to 84483. Weather updates will also be available by contacting the Summit on the Park front desk at (734) 394-5460 or watch for updates online at www.facebook.com/cantonfun. For additional information, call (734) 394-5460 or visit www.cantonfun.org.

Crowds have been enjoying the Thursday Night Concerts in Canton Heritage Park for nearly two decades.

# Charges against father in baby's death dismissed

All criminal charges have been dropped against James Lee Saltmarshall in the death of his 8-month-old daughter last April.

Saltmarshall was originally charged with felony murder, child abuse first degree and criminal sexual conduct first degree in connection the April 23 death of the baby, Janiyah Saltmarshall.

Following an extensive investigation and based upon the June 16 report from the Wayne County Medical Examiner, it has been determined that the cause of death of the child was asphyxia and the manner of death was determined to be an accident. Investigators have now determined that Saltmarshall and his daughter were sleeping adjacent to each other on an adult-sized bed at the Alpine Motel in Inkster April 20. Upon waking Saltmarshall found the child unresponsive and called Inkster police. The child was transported to a nearby hospital where she died three days later, April 23.

Saltmarshall was charged prior to the findings of the Wayne County Coroner as to the cause of the baby's death. Saltmarshall alleged from the beginning of the investigation that there was no physical damage done to his child.

"My daughter suffocated in my arms while I was sleeping, and while she was sleeping. I woke up and realized that my daughter was not breathing and the first thing I did was call the police," he said, following his release on bond in April. He told investigators that he was involved with Child Protective Services since the birth of the baby and had been taking her to those offices "almost weekly."

The mother of the child, 29-year-old Zuleika Moreno, left the child in Saltmarshall's care when she left for work, according to previous police reports. She is the mother of six children, two deceased, none of whom are in her custody, according to reports. Attorneys from the office of the Wayne County Prosecutor moved to have the case against the 22-year-old father dismissed on June 29, "in the best interests of justice.'

The motion to dismiss all charges was granted by Judge Sabrina Johnson of the 22nd District Court in Inkster.

# 'Legends' seeking alumni photos

The Inkster Legends Basketball Camp is seeking information about former students and players.

President/Director of Inkster Legends Fred Smiley said the group is hoping to list former campers and the universities they attended on an alumni page on the Legends website. Including information about whether the basketball camp alumni played basketball at their respective colleges. Smiley said the page would also contain photos of the alumni in their college team uniforms, if the players would submit them.

He suggested former "campers" add the information and photos at www.inkster-legends.com on the contact us section of the website.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON**
**PROGRAM YEAR 2017 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**
**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

The above named document for the Canton Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) IS available for inspection at the Finance Department, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, 734-394-5225, during regular business hours. Comments on the **2017 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN** will be accepted for 30 days, beginning July 6, 2017. Comments received during the public comment period will be forwarded to the Department of HUD and will become an addendum to the reports.

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON**
**ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS**

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

*Employment:* The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

*Effective Communication:* The Charter Township of Canton will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

*Modifications to Policies and Procedures:* The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260.

The Charter Township of Canton will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

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**Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings – June 27, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens, Sneideman, Williams Members Absent: None Staff Present: Director Hohenberger, Director Faas, Director Trumbull Sarah Clay, Carolyn Cox Staff Absent: Director Meier **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Sneideman, supported by Anthony to amend the agenda by adding the minutes of the June 24, 2017 Board Special Session Meeting and to Add Item: D-1 Discussion of Tax Tribunal Counsel Interviews following the Consent Calendar. Motion carried unanimously. **Approval of Minutes** Motion by Foster, supported by Anthony to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2017 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to approve the Board Study Session Minutes of June 20, 2017 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Foster, supported by Anthony to approve the Board Special Session Minutes of June 24, 2017 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **Citizen's Non-Agenda Item Comments:** George Miller, 1946 Briarfield, commented on a personal issue regarding barking dogs. **Payment of the Bills:** Motion by Slavens, supported by Sneideman to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **PRESENTATION: 1) 2016 AUDIT PRESENTATION** Wendy Trumbull, Finance and Budget Director Sarah Clay, Accounting Manager Frank Audia, Partner, Plante & Moran and Alisha Watkins, Manager, Plante & Moran conducted a PowerPoint presentation to the board regarding the audit. A complete copy of the PowerPoint presentation is available in the Township Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton MI 48188 during regular business hours or by calling 734-394-5120. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item C-1. Consider Approval of the Purchase of a Software Upgrade to ArcGIS for Server Enterprise Required to Upgrade the ESRI Geographic Information System Server. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster approve the purchase of the software upgrade from Basic to Standard for ArcGIS Server Enterprise for a cost not-to-exceed $9,000. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to approve the following general fund budget amendment: Increase Revenue: #101-639 (Planning Plan Reviews) by $9,000; and Increase Expenditure: #101-853.930_0015 (Maintenance & Repair Software) by $9,000. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-2. Consider Second Reading of an Amendment to Repeal Canton Township Code of Ordinances Chapter 34, Article IV, Entitled "Vacant Property Registration and Maintenance", Sections #34-81 through #34-96. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to remove from the table and hold the second reading of an amendment to repeal Canton Township Code of Ordinances Chapter 34, Article IV, entitled "Vacant Property Registration and Maintenance", Sections #34-81 through #34-96. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to adopt and publish an amendment to repeal Canton Township Code of Ordinances Chapter 34, Article IV, entitled "Vacant Property Registration and Maintenance", Sections #34-81 through #34-96 with an effective date July7, 2017. Motion carried unanimously. (As this is a complete removal of Sections 34-81 through 34-96 there is nothing to publish.) **DISCUSSION: Discussion of Tax Tribunal Counsel Interviews.** As a result of the interviews done on at the June 20, 2017 the board discussed their individual opinions as to which firm to select. Each board member gave their impressions of the candidates and offered their individual preference. All board members felt that both candidates were highly qualified and either would do an excellent job for Canton. The preference of each board member is a follows: Trustee Anthony: Hallahan & Associates Trustee Foster: Secrest Wardle Trustee Graham-Hudak: Secrest Wardle Clerk Siegrist: Secrest Wardle Treasurer Slavens: Hallahan & Associates Trustee Sneideman: Secrest Wardle Supervisor Williams: Hallahan & Associates Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman that the board designate its choice of Secrest Wardle of Troy Michigan to represent the township and authorize corporate counsel to negotiate the contractual agreement for services with the firm. Motion carried unanimously. **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item G-1. Consider Approval of an Inter-Governmental Agreement Between Wayne County and Canton Township for the Construction of Historic Ford Plant Pathway Trail and Authorize Budget Amendment. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman approve the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) and further authorize the Supervisor to sign the IGA between Wayne County and Canton Township for the Construction of Historic Ford Plant Pathway Trail, Cherry Hill/West of Ridge – Pathway and to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Intergovernmental Agreement Between Wayne County and Canton Township for the Construction of Historic Ford Plant Pathway Trail Now, therefore be it resolved,** that Canton Township Board of Trustees does hereby approve the proposed Agreement between the Township and County of Wayne for the construction of Historic Ford Plant Pathway Trail, Cherry Hill / west of Ridge - Pathway, and **Whereas,** the Michigan Department of Transportation will provide Transportation Alternative Program funding to the Construction Work costs at 59.74% up to the maximum of $202,700 (as found in **Exhibit A** to this Agreement); and **Whereas,** Canton Township will provide funding to the Construction Work costs in the estimated amount of $136,617 (which will be adjusted to reflect actual costs), as Canton Townships' participation to the Construction Work costs (as found in **Exhibit A** to this Agreement); and **Whereas,** upon execution of this Agreement by the Township**,** Canton Township will provide a Working Capital Advance payment to the County of Wayne in the amount of $136,617 (as found in **Exhibit A** to this Agreement) for the Construction Work costs; and **Be it further resolved,** that the Township Supervisor is authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of Canton Township. I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Motion adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on the 27th Day of June, 2017 and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act. Dated: June 27, 2017 Township Clerk Charter Township of Canton Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to authorize the Finance Department to make necessary budget adjustments to record grant funds and related expenditures: Increase Revenue 246-000.695 Fund Balance Appropriation Increase $210,016 246-000.501 Federal Grants Increase $202,700 Increase Expenses 246-750.970_0080 Capital Outlay Land Improvements Increase $412,716 $210,016 will be paid to Wayne County Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-2. Consider First Reading of an Amendment to Appendix A – Zoning of the Code of Ordinances for the Manshlo Rezoning. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to hold the first reading of an amendment to Appendix A – Zoning of the Code of ordinances for the rezoning of parcel # 031-99-0012-718 from RA, Rural Agricultural District to R-2, Single-family residential District. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to table for consideration and hold the second reading of an amendment to Appendix A– Zoning of the Code of ordinances for the rezoning of parcel # 031-99-0012-718 from RA, Rural Agricultural District to R-2, Single-family residential District, on July 11. 2017. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-3. Consider Final Approval Of Aspen Ridge Site Plan. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Final Site Plan for Aspen Ridge Site Condominiums WHEREAS,** the Project Sponsor, Mr. Jon Goldman, has requested final site plan approval for Aspen Ridge Site Condominiums to be located on Saltz and Beck Roads, identified as tax EDP #068-99-0013-702 and 068-99-0018-000; and, **WHEREAS,** the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to approve the request to grant final site plan approval, as summarized in the attached written analysis and recommendation. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve the request of the petitioner, Mr. Jon Goldman, to approve the final site plan for the proposed Aspen Ridge Site Condominiums subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. Roll Call: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens, Sneideman, Williams Ayes: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens, Sneideman, Williams Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Motion adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on the 27th Day of June, 2017 and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act. Dated: June 27, 2017 Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk Charter Township of Canton **Item G-4. Consider Approval of the Site Plan for Phase I of Canton Acreage Medical Building. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Site Plan for Canton Acreage Medical Building – Phase I WHEREAS,** the project sponsor has requested site plan approval for Phase I of Canton Acreage Medical Building located north of Cherry Hill Road and west of Canton Center Road, on tax parcel #s 064-99-0013-704, 064-99-0014-702, and 064-99-0016-702; and, **WHEREAS,** the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to approve the request to grant site plan approval; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve the request of the project sponsor to approve the site plan for Canton Acreage Medical Building on tax parcel #s 064-99-0013-704, 064-99-0014-702, and 064-99-0016-702, subject to any and all state and local development regulations, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. Roll Call: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens, Sneideman, Williams Ayes: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens, Sneideman, Williams Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Motion adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on the 27th Day of June, 2017 and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act. Dated: June 27, 2017 Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk Charter Township of Canton **Item G-5. Consider Approval of the Preliminary Site Plan for Anand Village Detached Condominium. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Preliminary Site Plan Approval for Anand Village Detached Condominium WHEREAS**, the Project Sponsor has requested approval of the preliminary site plan for Anand Village Detached Condominium Site Condominium, located on the southeast of Geddes and Denton Roads on tax parcel #126-99-0008-701; and, **WHEREAS,** the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to approve the request for site plan approval; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve the request of the petitioner to approve the preliminary site plan for Anand Village Detached Condominium on tax parcel # 126-99-0008-701, subject to any and all applicable state and local development regulations. Roll Call: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens, Sneideman, Williams Ayes: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens, Sneideman, Williams Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Motion adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on the 27th Day of June, 2017 and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act. Dated: June 27, 2017 Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk Charter Township of Canton **Item G-6. Consider Award of a Contract to ARC Document Solutions for Phase 1 of the Building & Inspection Services Division Document Scanning Project. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to award a professional services contract to ARC Document Solutions for Phase 1 of the Building & Inspection Services Document Scanning Project in an amount not-to-exceed $27,500; and further authorize the Township Supervisor sign the contract on behalf of Canton Township. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-7. Consider First Reading of Amendments to Appendix A- Zoning of the Code Ordinances. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens introduce and hold the first reading of the proposed amendments to Sections 16.02, 17.02, 22.02, 6.02, and 6A.15 of Appendix A – Zoning of the Code of Ordinances. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to table for consideration the proposed amendments to Sections 16.02, 17.02, 22.02, 6.02, and 6A.15 of Appendix A – Zoning of the Code of Ordinances and hold a second reading on July 11, 2017. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-8. Consider Approval to Extend Agreement with Huron Valley Ambulance and Approval of the Municipal Credit Agreement with Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART). (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to authorize a letter of acceptance to extend the Huron Valley Ambulance agreement in 2018. The amount of the contract with HVA is not to exceed the annual amount of $457,736 plus the Detroit Consumer Price Index (CPI) or 5%, whichever is less. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to approve the 2017-2018 Municipal Credit Contract between SMART and the Charter Township of Canton for $88,692 and to authorize the Township Supervisor to sign the contract on behalf of the Township. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-9. Consider Approval of Emergency Purchase Order for Replacement of Roof Top Unit Compressor System. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the purchase order to Bumler Mechanical, 6260 18-1/2 Mile Road, Sterling Heights, MI 48314 for emergency replacement of compressor system for rooftop unit #7 at the Administration Building in the amount of $14,621 with funds to be paid from Account # 246-750.970_0020 Capital Outlay Buildings & Improvements. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-10. Consider Approval of Special Event Request for Color Fest Michigan 2017. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the special event request for Color Fest Michigan 2017 to be held at the Amphitheater in Heritage Park on August 5, 2017. Motion carried unanimously. Trustee Sneideman questioned how the "color" is cleaned up. Director Hohenberger explained the "color" is biodegradable. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** None **OTHER:** Director Hohenberger stated Liberty Fest was a complete success. The final figures regarding revenue realized from this event is still in process. The Board will be representing Canton in the Plymouth Fourth of July Parade. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Anthony, supported by Sneideman to adjourn at 8:47 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. ____**Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk ____Pat Williams, Supervisor**

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, 734-394-5120, during regular business hours or be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval. CN1531 - 070617 2.5 x 16.648

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## Scholars

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gram who meet with the students to continue to encourage them to pursue their goals. Seventy-five individuals volunteered to mentor students, including many teachers at the high school, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Michele Harmala and Westland Mayor William Wild.

Wild, himself a 1986 graduate of John Glenn High School, commented that he had been a mentor since the beginning of the program.

"I think the Scholars Program has changed the perception of our schools," he said. "I've been talking about the success of the program to everybody who will listen."

Wild spoke fondly of the two students he mentored who both admitted they were impressed when they went to city hall to meet with him and were treated like visiting dignitaries.

Harmala told the audience that the Scholars of John Glenn program celebrates the setting of goals and the achievement of those goals.

Several students spoke of their experience with the program, one teen noting that he had taken his grade point average from a 2.2 to a 4.0 with the help of the program. Another explained that she had never done homework and that because of her mother's illness and eventual death, she had no interest in her education and became withdrawn and reclusive. The Scholars program got her back on track, she said, forcing her to speak to those outside her peer group. She improved her grade point average markedly and she is now preparing to attend college.

"I want to be able to give back to the community like the Shaws have done," she said.

Each of the speakers thanked the Shaws profusely and expressed their gratitude for not only the check they were to receive, but for the opportunity to participate in the program.

Glenn Shaw spoke to the assembled crowd and introduced the highest achieving scholar, a student who came to John Glenn with a 1.4 grade point average that she had raised to a 3.8.

Shaw told the crowd that everyone faces difficulties in life and that he and his wife were proud to be able to offer a program that provided the motivation for students to not only improve their grades, but to realize that their path to success was through education.

"To every single student who signed up, to the parents and to the mentors who volunteered their time to help these kids, you all did a great job.

"It is what you folks do that makes this successful," he said, as the music swelled up, the confetti cannons exploded and the 146 students walked across the stage as their names were announced to loud applause.

Some of the successful John Glenn High School Scholars spoke to the crowd about their experiences with the program and their gratitude for the help they received in improving thier grade point averages and their lives.

Scholars of John Glenn founder Glenn Shaw Jr. congratulates the highest achieving student who raised her grade point average from a 1.4 to a 3.8 while a part of the program this year. Shaw also congratulated the student's grandmother who adopted her and signed her Scholars contract.

## State officials praise Romulus Amazon center

Local officials in Romulus are not the only ones reacting positively to the announcement that retailing giant Amazon.com will be coming to the city and bringing 1,600 jobs along with infrastructure improvements needed at the new fulfillment center.

State Rep. Erika Geiss (D-Taylor) also responded enthusiastically to the news that Amazon.com Inc. will invest $140 million to build the center in Romulus, expected to create the new jobs.

"Amazon has shown their confidence in our region as a great place to do business and to find workers with the skills, experience and ability to work hard and be productive," Geiss said. "This is the start of what promises to be a long and beneficial relationship between Amazon and our community, and I look forward to seeing this partnership grow."

The project was made possible through a $5 million grant through the Michigan Economic Development Corp. needed to make improvements to local roads and other infrastructure. Amazon had been considering other Midwestern states as well as Canada for the project.

"Romulus is a natural choice for business growth because of our proximity to Detroit Metro Airport, rail lines and several major interstates," Geiss said. "The willingness of the state to work with us only made it easier to convince Amazon that our community is a great place to locate and do business. I can't wait to see what having an e-commerce leader like Amazon here in Romulus will do for our business community, and I look forward to the future opportunities this will bring."

The project was announced at a meeting of the Michigan Strategic Fund Board last week attended by numerous community leaders, including Rep. Geiss, State Sen. Hoon-Yung Hopgood (D-Taylor), Romulus Mayor LeRoy Burcroff, Romulus Economic Development Director Tim Keyes and representatives from Amazon, who all spoke in favor of the project.

"When major companies look for a place to build a new facility, we're not just competing with surrounding cities - we're competing with surrounding states and other countries," Geiss said. "The MEDC gives us the tools we need to compete on a global scale for big projects like these, and to bring these jobs to our community. The MEDC and the state of Michigan helped us convince Amazon that Romulus is a great place to do business, and we're grateful for their help."

"We think it's going to be a watershed development for the entire region," said Rob Luce, who was hired in March as the first full-time CEO Aerotropolis, the seven-community collaboration that includes eastern Washtenaw County and western Wayne County."This is the last underdeveloped region in Southeast Michigan."

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**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION**

REGULAR ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING
SCHEDULED FOR JULY 19, 2017

The Zoning Board of Appeals meeting scheduled for July 19, 2017 has been cancelled due to the lack of agenda items

The next regularly scheduled Zoning Board of Appeals meeting will be held on August 16, 2017 in the Council Chambers of Westland City Hall, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, MI at 5:30 p.m.

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Jerry Vorva, Clerk
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**MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING**
**June 12, 2017**
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174

**The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem John Barden.**
**Pledge of Allegiance**
**Roll Call:** John Barden, Linda Choate, Harry Crout, Sylvia Makowski, Celeste Roscoe, William Wadsworth.
**Excused:** Kathleen Abdo.
**Administrative Officials in Attendance:**
LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk
**Excused:** Stacy Paige
**1.** Moved by **Crout,** seconded by **Makowski** to accept the agenda as amended. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**17-175 2A.** Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on June 12, 2017. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** – Barden, Crout, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** – None. **Abstain** – Choate, Makowski. **Motion Carried**.
**3. Petitioner:**
Mr. Tony Antone, from Kojaian Venoy Wick Acquisitions, LLC explained that Kojaian is the sole owner of the property within the Project Mercury site.
**17-176 3A.** Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded **Crout** that the portion of Henry Ruff Road between the Vining Road right-of-way and Ecorse Road; and, Venoy Road between Smith Road and Ecorse Road are hereby vacated; and the City Clerk shall within 30 days file a certified copy of this resolution with Wayne County Register of Deeds and to the State of Michigan Director of the Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
**3B. No Action Required.**
Mark Edwards, Public Relations; Romulus Community Schools, presented information about the upcoming School Millage Election.
**17-177 3C.** Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Crout** to approve a no-fee permit to Denise Jackson, 6358 Dexter, for a block party on Dexter between Martin and Horace Jackson on July 4, 2017 from 12:00 noon until 12:00 midnight. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**17-178 3D.** Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Makowski** to approve a no-fee permit to Jan Lemmon, Chairperson, Cemetery Board of Trustees, for the Historical Park Pavilion on Friday, August 25, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. for a pig-roast fundraiser with proceeds going to the cemetery fund. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**17-179 3E.** Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Crout** to approve a road closure request from Yolonda Heard, 5946 Dexter, on Saturday, June 17, 2017 from 4:00 p.m. until midnight. (a section of Dexter). **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**4. Chairperson's Report:**
Councilman Wadsworth spoke about the professional conduct of the residents at the recent BZA meeting.
**17-180 4A.** Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Choate** to allow the City of Romulus to exempt employees from the cost-sharing provisions of Public Act 152 for the plan year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**4.** Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Makowski** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**5. Mayor's Report:**
Dennis Davidson announced upcoming City events.
**17-181 5A.** Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and award Bid ITB 16/17-28 for the purchase of the speed radar trailer and a post-mounted radar speed sign for the City of Romulus Police Department to the only bidder, All Traffic Solutions, in the amount of $15,235.00. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**17-182 5B.** Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Choate** to concur with the administration and award Bid ITB16/17-33 for the application of new resinous floor at Romulus Fire Station #4 to Performance Floor Coating Systems, in the amount of $21,700.00. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**17-183 5C1.** Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and award Bid ITB 16/17-38 two community development block grant demolitions (HUD Project #16-24-04 demolition) to the lowest most responsive and responsible bidder, VanAssche Construction, in the combined amount of $32,550.00 for the demolition (including all testing and inspections required by HUD) and material and labor for sod installation at 36100 Bibbins. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**17-184 5C2.** Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and authorize a contingency bid in the amount of $155/cu.yd., for the remediation, replacement and disposal of any soil as a result of the Phase II Environmental testing. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**17-185 5D.** Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Crout** to concur with the administration and award Bid ITB 16/17-42, Demolition List 16-01, to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, VanAssche Construction, in the amount of $22,635.00. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**17-186 5E.** Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and authorize the City of Romulus to publish a Notice of Intent to issue Bonds for the purpose of paying all or part of the cost to acquire and construct road improvements, intersection and traffic signal upgrades, including related drainage and utility improvements in an amount not to exceed $14,000,000. (City Bond Attorney, Patrick McGow, explained the issuing of bonds process). **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**6A. Clerk's Report:**
**17-187 6A1.** Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Makowski** to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 16/17-26, General fund – which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 5, 2017. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**17-188 6A2.** Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Wadsworth** to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 16/17-27, General Fund – which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 5, 2017. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**17-189 6A3.** Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Roscoe** to approve first reading of Chapter 8, Buildings and Building Regulations, Article VII, Property Maintenance, Sections 8-211 (Code Adopted) and 8-212 Reference in Code. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**17-190 6A4.** Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Crout** to approve the City Clerk's request to accept Dominion Voting Company's quote of $13,234.98 for City of Romulus new Election Voting quipment in the amount of $13,234.98. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**6B. Treasurer's Report: None.**
**7. Public Comment:**
A resident spoke about the upcoming school millage proposals. A resident spoke about the Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds.
**8. Unfinished Business: None.**
**9. New Business:**
**17-191 9A.** Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Crout** to grant the request from Michael Link and Bob Harper for no-fee permits for the use of: **Historical Park Pavilion on July 2, July 16, and September 3, 2017; Mary Ann Banks Park Pavilion on July 9, and September 10, 2017;** The events are called "Fellowship at the Park Bar-B-Que" and open to the public. Set-up will take place at 3:00 pm; prayer begins at 4:30 pm; music and food 5:00 pm until 9:00 pm; takedown at 9:00 pm. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**17-192 9B.** Moved by **Crout,** seconded by **Choate** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Jackson Lee. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**10. Communication: None.**
**17-193 11.** Moved by **Choate,** seconded by **Crout** to pay Warrant 17-11 in the amount of $1,112,460. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
**12.** Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe** to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on June 12, 2017.

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Belleville - Wayne

# Mail call

## Exhibit continues at Yankee Air Museum

A name is shouted out, and a parcel is handed through the crowd to an eager recipient-mail call is a moment when the front line and home front connect. Letters, news and packages from home unite families, boost morale and in wartime, elevate the ordinary to the extraordinary.

The traveling version of the National Postal Museum permanent exhibition, "Mail Call" explores the history of the American military postal system, and examines how even in this age of instant communication, troops overseas continue to treasure mail delivered from home. Organized and circulated by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES), the exhibition tells the story of military mail and communication-from the American Revolution to current wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The exhibition will remain on display through Aug. 6 at Yankee Air Museum in Belleville, before continuing on a nationwide tour.

"We are very pleased to bring 'Mail Call' to southeastern Michigan," said Kevin Walsh, executive director of the Yankee Air Museum. "This is the natural encore to our recent project that assembled and mailed nearly 100 care packages to our troops in the Middle East. Yankee Air Museum proudly joins the past with the present as we look to the future."

Throughout American history, the military and postal service have combined forces to deliver mail under challenging-often extreme-circumstances. Mail call forges a vital link with home, whether it takes place at headquarters or in hostile territory, on a submarine or in the desert.

Visitors can discover how military mail communication has changed throughout history, learn about the armed forces postal system and experience military mail through objects and correspondence both written and recorded on audiotape. The exhibit offers an appreciation of the importance of military mail and the hard work that has gone into connecting servicemen and women to their government, community and loved ones at home.

"Mail Call" features a number of items that bring to life the story of military mail. One such highlight is a kit with supplies for "Victory Mail," a microfilm process developed in World War II to dramatically shrink the volume and weight of personal letters. Beginning in 1942, V-Mail used

The traveling version of the National Postal Museum permanent exhibition Mail Call will be at the Yankee Air Museum through Aug. 6.

standardized stationery and microfilm processing to produce lighter, smaller cargo-150,000 microfilmed letters could fit in one mailbag. Visitors will also gain access to dramatic firsthand records and heartfelt sentiments through excerpts from letters exchanged between writers on the front line and the home front. The exhibit also explores how the military postal system works today and describes the new ways the men and women of the armed forces are communicating with home.

"Mail has always played a very important role in the lives of the men and women of our armed forces and their families at home," said exhibit curator Lynn Heidelbaugh of the National Postal Museum. "Writing and receiving correspondence has a significant power to shape morale. The relationship between mail and morale is expressed time and again in messages from deployed military personnel, and it is a compelling reason behind the extraordinary efforts to maintain timely mail service."

Yankee Air Museum is located at 47884 D St., Belleville, on the grounds of historic Willow Run Airport. The museum is open from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Sunday.

# Downtown Days activities set throughout Wayne

With unprecedented collaboration among community organizations and downtown businesses, Downtown Days seeks to build on the success of the annual Wayne Sidewalk Sales and draw people into the downtown district.

Downtown Days begins on Thursday, July 13 and concludes on Saturday, July 15 following the Cruisin' US-12 Cruise.

Downtown Days will kick off with events Thursday evening at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 3144 S. Wayne Road. The K of C will be hosting a Vintage Record Show from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. and an Evening Tea event from 5-8 p.m. Tickets to the Tea are $25 and are available for purchase by calling (734) 722-6911.

On Friday, July 14, the Detroit Institute of Arts will be hosting a free Drop-In Workshop for kids from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. followed by a Strawberry Shortcake Social from 6-8 p.m. Both of the events are free to attend and will take place at the Knights of Columbus Lounge. Friday evening, from 8-11 p.m. the opening concert in the Concerts-In-The-Park series with a performance by Steve King and the Dittlies will take place.

Saturday, July 15, downtown Wayne will host an exciting slate of activities. Helium Studio, 3127 S. Wayne Road, will host a Flea Market in the parking lot behind the store from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. An Antique & Collectibles Show & Sale will take place at the Knights of Columbus from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. The Wayne Historical Museum, at 1 Towne Square, will also be the site of a Vendor Show and Museum Open House from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Other Saturday events include the Just Hears'n Around Car Club and Casketeria BBQ grill at Icon Computers, 35858 W. Michigan Ave. from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. and the Library Book Sale at the Wayne Public Library from noon until 5 p.m.

In addition to Downtown Days events the annual Cruisin' US-12 car cruise will be happening along Michigan Avenue from, 11 a.m. until 8 p.m. Saturday, July 15. The cruise will feature entertainment scheduled on the US-12 American Bar & Grill patio 34824 W. Michigan Ave. throughout the day.

Alongside these new events, Downtown Days is working to strengthen the annual Wayne Sidewalk Sales. A number of businesses, including Puffer Red's, Mean Ink Tattoo, and Northside Hardware will offer discounts and promotions to shoppers. Northside Hardware will continue their tradition of offering .25 cent hotdogs and pop. Radio station 104.3 WOMC will also be broadcasting live from Northside Hardware throughout the weekend.

"This is a really great time to be part of the growing excitement in downtown Wayne. Events like Downtown Days demonstrate just how much Wayne has to offer visitors and residents," commented Maxwell Cameron, executive director of Wayne Main Street.

For more information regarding all activities visit downtownwayne.org/downtowndays.

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NORTHVILLE - PLYMOUTH

# Kick Butt

## Skateboarders learn lesson in values

Learning on a Sunday morning doesn't have to take place in a church.

"We're very involved with all the youth," said Rob Parent, who with wife, Heidi, owns downtown Plymouth Sun & Snow. Streets nearby the shop were filled Sunday morning, June 25, with young people on skateboards and others picking up trash.

"It's to teach really good values," explained Parent of the Kick Butt event, which took place for the fourth consecutive year. "We want to set a good example. The response has been amazing."

As 9 a.m. came, teens, adults and children gathered to get their marching orders. Brothers Evan Vollick-Offer, 18, and Owen Vollick-Offer, 16, both work at Sun & Snow and were among the many participants.

"It's a lot of fun," said Owen, who's going into his junior year at Canton High School and lives in Plymouth. Evan, a sophomore at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, noted their whole family participated the first year and won third place for the most trash collected.

The group met up late morning at Lions Park in Plymouth to have their trash weighed for prizes. As they started, Parent, who lives in Plymouth, and other organizers emphasized safety and being polite.

Parent noted skateboarders and longboarders sometimes get a bad reputation, and the Kick Butt community service focus helps to address that. One adult participant was asked if he was with a church group, and he explained the Sun & Snow sponsorship.

Parent said the kids "put their best foot forward." There were about 50 participants last year, and word of mouth helps Kick Butt numbers grow.

Skateboarders, longboarders and others on wheels pick up trash from downtown streets as part of the Kick Butt program sponsored by Sun & Snow.

"Now we have two kindergarten Girl Scouts out there today," said Parent as the DJ music wafted down city streets. "It's become a really cool family event.

"It can be fun," Parent added. "It can be a good time. And hopefully encourage them to do more" community service.

Parent chuckled when asked if organizers ordered up the sunny skies that day. "Yes, we absolutely did. We had to pay extra for that," he said with a grin.

# Northville Garden Club Walk features 6 houses

One of the six expansive gardens on the Country Garden Club of Northville tour this year had some humble beginnings.

A real estate agent dropped a packet of Zinna seeds into the homeowner's mailbox as a marketing tool many years ago and things simply took off from there.

Now the homeowner, who eventually worked as a Master Gardener on staff at a local landscape company and taught gardening classes at Schoolcraft College, looks back on that first experience as the beginning of her relationship with the cycles of nature.

"I casually scattered the packet of seeds in a forgotten side yard and went about my life. To my delight, the neglected seeds performed for me all summer. From the window above my kitchen sink, I watched them as they emerged from the soil, reached for the sun, flowered with abandon," she said. When the autumn frost came, the seeds fed the tiny goldfinches who were fattening themselves up for the winter, she added.

"Even though I grew up with cornfields all around-it was the first time I really was aware of the rhythm of the earth; I was hooked," she said.

Her current garden has been under her careful ministrations since her family moved to Northville in 1990.

"I have been digging and planting and I try to experiment with something new every year so that I can really understand the nature of the plant," she said. Her garden, she said, is where she finds great happiness and a connection to something bigger.

Members of the Country Garden Club of Northville selected her garden and five others for the Annual Garden Walk planned for 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. July 12.

This is the 40th anniversary of the club with the Women's National Farm and Garden Association. The selected gardens surround private homes in both the city and township of Northville and have been chosen for their originality and design, members said. The Garden Walk will begin at Mill Race Village, 215 Griswold St. a block from downtown Northville. The Village will feature a garden-themed market with live music by Kurt Krahnke and Rodney Rich as well as complimentary home-made refreshments inside the Cady Inn for all Garden Walk ticket holders.

> *"I have been digging and planting and I try to experiment with something new every year so that I can really understand the nature of the plant."*

Tickets for the walk are $12 if purchased in advance online at cgcnv.org or directly at Garden Views Garden Gallery, 127 E. Main St. in Northville. Tickets are priced at $15 if purchased the day of the walk.

Tickets pre-ordered through the website can be retrieved at the ticket tent at Mill Race Village the day of the walk.

Walkers and strollers cannot be accommodated on the tour due to the terrain at some gardens and safety concerns.

Proceeds from this major fundraising event go toward supporting local and national organizations that promote environmental and horticultural causes and to provide scholarships for local high school seniors who plan to go into college science careers.

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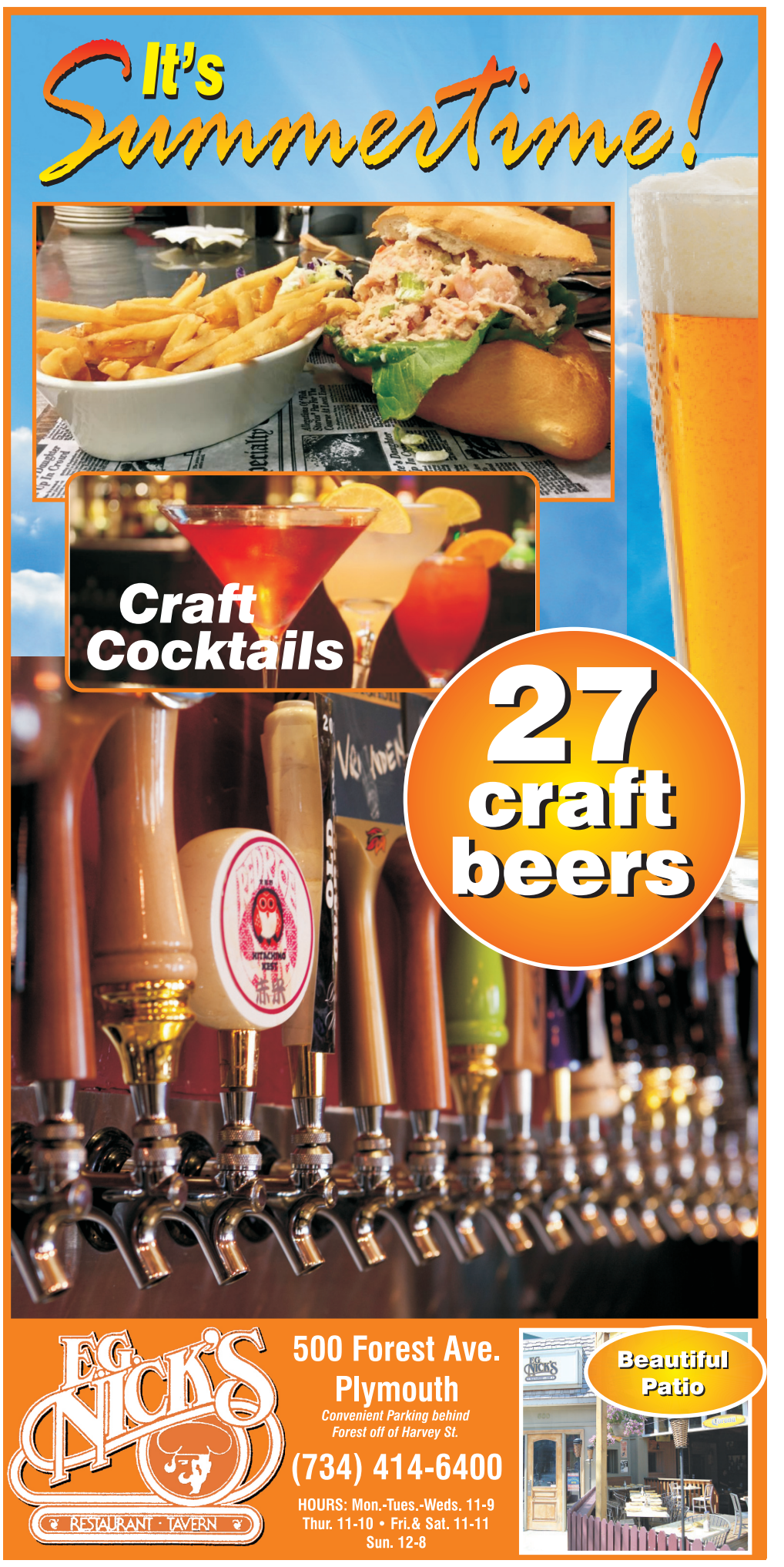

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# Calendar of events

**Grub Crawl tickets on sale**

Tickets are now on sale for the 12th Annual Northville Grub Crawl planned for 6-9:30 p.m. July 25.

Participating Northville restaurants will offer samples of appetizers and entrée items along with cash bar specials for the event. Ticket holders can use free shuttle transportation to each restaurant or "crawl "on their own. Restaurants participating the year include: Aubree's of Northville, Brann's Sizzlin' Steaks & Sports Grill, Brick's of Northville, Browndog Treats, Drink's & Eats, Garage Grill & Fuel Bar, Northville Winery & Brewery Co. with Genitti's Catering, Northville Sports Den, My Little Paris Café & Bookstore, Rusty Bucket and Tavern, The Village Workshop and WOK Asian Bistro.

Tickets for those 21 and older are priced at $30 and available at Good Time Party Store, 567 West Seven Mile Road, Northville or the Northville Chamber of Commerce, 195 South Main St., Northville. Tickets can be purchased by mail from the chamber website www.northville.org

The Northville Grub Crawl is sponsored by: Remerica Hometown One-Patti Mullen & Associates with assistance from Good Time Party Store

For more information, visit the Northville Chamber of Commerce website www.northville.org or call (248) 349-7640.

**Farmers market now open**

The Canton Farmers Market will be open from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. every Sunday through Oct. 12 at Preservation Park, located at 500 N. Ridge Road, Canton.

This open-air-market features a variety of Michigan grown and made food as well as hand-crafted items. The Farmers Market will take place rain or shine.

Find the latest market information on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/cantonfarmersmarket.

**Online bill payment available**

Plymouth Township now offers residents online bill payment for summer tax bill and water bills.

Township residents have several options to pay online, by phone, or in person using their credit card. Residents may also pay bills directly through their bank account via electronic check, according to a prepared release.

Credit card payments will be charged a 3 percent convenience fee; $3 will be charged for electronic checks. The township will accept Visa, Master Card, American Express and Discover cards. Residents can also pay with their credit card in person at township hall, officials said.

The new service can be found on the township website, www.plymouthtwp.org. Under the 'Quick Links' tab, scroll down to 'Online Payments.'

**Concert series begins**

The Northville Summer Friday Night Concert Series - presented by Tom Holzer Ford - brings the music of some of the finest local musicians to downtown Northville Town Square from 7-9 p.m. every Friday night through Aug. 25.

The schedule features music from jazz to blues to rock 'n' roll. For more information, including a full schedule of performances, contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640 or visit www.northville.org.

**Senior Alliance hosts golfers**

Tomorrow, July 7 is the deadline to register for the 2017 Senior Alliance Golf Classic which will take place July 21.

The golf tournament will take place at Fellows Creek Golf Club in Canton Township. All proceeds from the event are donated to The Senior Alliance to support Holiday Meals on Wheels and program development to help seniors in the area.

The $175 registration includes 18 holes of golf, a continental breakfast, lunch at the turn and a buffet dinner. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. and the shotgun start is set for 9 a.m. July 21.

For group prices, more information and registration, contact Jennifer Trussell, (734) 727-2011 or email jtrssell@tsalink.org.

**Vacation Bible School planned**

Plymouth First United Methodist Church, 45201 North Territorial Road is offering Vacation Bible School for the whole family.

Dinner for the entire family will be offered at 5 p.m. and Bible schools will take place from 6-8 p.m. July 9-13.

Parents can stay for adult Vacation Bible School or pick up children at 8 p.m.

For more information, call (734) 454-5280 or visit www.pfumc.org.

**Free Camp 9-1-1 available**

Plymouth City Fire services Emergency Medical Service partners at Huron Valley Ambulance are once again offering a free Camp 9-1-1 this summer at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

This event is open to any resident of Plymouth or Plymouth Township and will take place from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. July 10 and 11. While the day camp is free, it is necessary to preregister and space is limited and fills on a first-come, first-served basis.

This is a free, interactive, two-day camp for children ages 8-12.

Camp 9-1-1 activities include: Learning CPR and first-aid with paramedics; Exploring emergency vehicles; Touring local emergency departments and fire departments; Engaging in interactive presentations from local police and specialty teams.

Pre-registration is required. Register online at www.camp911.org

For more information, contact Camp Coordinator Jason Trojan at camp911@emergenthealth.org.

## Art

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There is handmade jewelry, ceramic items of all types, garden ornaments, large oil and acrylic canvases, sculpture, gourmet foodstuffs and everything in between. In addition to the 400 artists all in one setting, there will be the entertainment that visitors to Art In The Park have come to expect, along with the children's activities.

This year, along with the traditional commitment to provide educational art and creative activities for children in Kellogg Park, there will be candle making, henna body art and a caricaturist. The park will, as usual, be filled with younger artists selling their art and craft work, along with My Adventure Theater with performances at 1, 4 and 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 1 and 4 p.m. Sunday.

My Adventure Theater is an interactive family friendly theater experience for the entire family. Characters are chosen from the audience, costumed on the spot and narrated through action-filled, laugh-packed adventures complete with songs, dancing and fun.

Children can also join the fun and help paint one of three murals that will be hung in area elementary schools. More than 1,000 children are expected to help paint the murals this year. There will also be face painting and glitter tattoos, sandy candy are, balloons, candle making and henna body in the park for the younger set.

One of the most popular traditional attractions will return this year as artist Kristen Dillenbeck Zipp of New York City, formerly of Canton Township, will again create a living art mural during the weekend. Dillenbeck Zipp paints live models into the canvas of her work. Her theme this year, along with the chalk artwork on the street from D & M Art Studios, will be superheroes. Several artists from the studio will be on hand to create the chalk artwork onto the pavement at Main and Penniman. The work will again be led by artist Erin Dillenbeck, sister of Dillenbeck-Zipp.

Dillenbeck Zipp will be at work on the living mural at the intersection of Main and Ann Arbor Trail from noon until 4 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

George the living statue who has become an iconic fixture at the event will return with his amazing ability to read minds, challenge perception and stop time. The Funny Waiter Show by John Park will also return this year with shows at Ann Arbor Trail and Forest Avenue. He spins plates with his original comedy routines involving food, drink and music.

The One Love Reggae Band will appear again this year to entertain crowds with their unique sounds.

This year, crowds can paint their own masterpiece at Wine and Canvas, a mobile business bringing a painting class to Art In The Park. Talented artists will instruct visitors step-by-step through recreating the masterpiece of the day. They will be near the intersection of Main and Ann Arbor Trail.

"We have a lot of new, first-time exhibitors and many of the favorites that people wait all year to see," Rork said. "I think it will be a great show."

*(A complete guide to Art In The Park is included in this edition of The Eagle.)*

## Ruling

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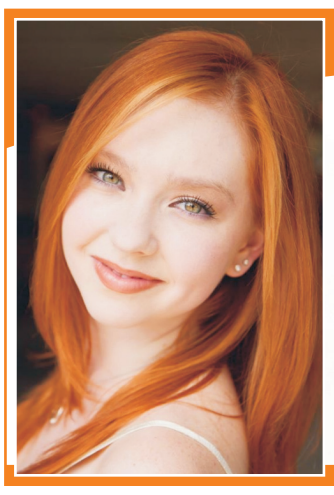
"We offered to negotiate in good faith with the city. We offered to take a reduction that would have cut their costs in half and they refused," he said. "We wouldn't have done this (gone to court) if it weren't the right thing to do."

Mayor Susan Rowe has stated at previous city council meetings that she wants the city "out of the health care business" and promised retirees they will find affordable insurance at the proposed monthly stipend rate of $241.50 for those single and younger than 65; $508 for a couple and $695.50 for a family. Those older than 65 would receive $128.50 for health insurance.

Reynolds said that he was informed that the city had already cancelled the retirees' insurance with Priority Health prior to the court order June 30.

The case is now set for a discovery hearing at the end of September and an evidentiary hearing in October.

"All I can say is we know what the judge's opinion was and we'll decide what our next course will be when we meet Wednesday," Rowe said.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